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BONN AND ATHENS FOR SECRETARY ADAMS' PARTY (PIEPER)

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TAGS: OVIP (ADAMS, BROCK), OTRA, EAIR, FR

SUBJECT: CAVAILLE TRAVEL ON CG-01

1. CAVAILLE'S CABINET INFORMS US CAVAILLE MAY HAVE TO RETURN TO PARIS FROM ATHENS TO ATTEND INTER-MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE MEETING JUNE 2 WHEN DECISIONS ARE TO BE TAKEN ON A NUMBER OF PENDING CIVAIR QUESTIONS. (COMMENT: QUESTIONS INCLUDE WHETHER AIR FRANCE WILL BE PERMITTED BY US-BUILT AIRCRAFT AS REPLACEMENTS FOR CARAVELLES IN AIR FRANCE FLEET, AND WHAT PROJECT FRENCH INDUSTRY WILL PARTICIPATE IN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MEDIUM-RANGE TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT. DECISIONS ARE LIKELY TO BE HELD FOR ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRIME MINISTER IN HIS TRADITIONAL SPEECH AT GOF OFFICIAL LUNCHEON CLOSING PARIS AIR SHOW.) IF CAVAILLE DOES HAVE TO RETURN TO PARIS PREMATURELY, WE WERE TOLD, IT IS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER HE WOULD BE ABLE TO RETURN TO ATHENS FOR FINAL EVENTS ON ECMT PROGRAM, IN WHICH CASE HE WOULD OF COURSE BE UNABLE TO FLY BACK TO PARIS JUNE 3 WITH SECRETARY ADAMS

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ABOARD CG-01. CAVAILLE WILL CONTACT SECRETARY ADAMS THIS SUBJECT JUNE 1 IN ATHENS.

2. ODILE WARIN, CAVAILLE'S PRESS ATTACHE, INFORMS US SHE EXPECTS THAT SHE WOULD STAY ON IN ATHENS UNTIL THE END OF THE ECMT MEETING AND WOULD IN THAT CASE BE GRATEFUL IF SHE COULD STILL RETURN TO PARIS ABOARD

CG-01 AS PLANNED. WE TOLD HER WE SAW NO PROBLEM.

3. FYI--WE HAVE BEEN TOLD CONFIDENTIALLY THAT NEW YORK APPEALS COURT HEARING JUNE 1 ON CONCORDE LAWSUIT IS ALSO A FACTOR DETERMINING WHETHER CAVAILLE SHOULD RETURN TO PARIS ABOARD CG-01. SHOULD THE APPEALS COURT ON JUNE 1 DECIDE TO CONTINUE ITS STAY OF DISTRICT COURT'S DECISION, THUS RISKING FURTHER POSTPONEMENT OF INAUGURATION OF CONCORDE SERVICE TO NEW YORK BEYOND JUNE 20 TARGET DATE AIR FRANCE HAS PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED, IT IS FELT THAT IT COULD BE POLITICALLY EMBARRASSING TO GOF, ESPECIALLY VIS-A-VIS CAVAILLE'S TOULOUSE CONSTITUENCY, IF CAVAILLE WERE TO RETURN TO PARIS IN COMPANY OF DOT SECRETARY IN USG AIRCRAFT. OUR KNOWLEDGE OF THIS INFO SHOULD NOT BE REVEALED TO CAVAILLE. END FYI
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